Keen Struggle Assured When Women Golfers Gather at Boston Next Month to Play for National Championship

NATION BOASTS OF MANY STAR WOMEN GOLFERS

Mrs. Feitner and Miss Hollins Lead Topnotchers in "Met" District.

ALL EYES FOCUSED ON NATIONAL EVENT

championship is still two months away -it will be held at the comparatively new Belmont Spring Country Club, near Boston, October 2 to 7 inclusive—nearly all of the minor championships are now things of the past, and the women golfars have little to do except to keep on practising for the big tourney. Important competitions for the women are all too few: most of them have only the championship of their particular section and the national tourney to look forward to each year. It is true that the New Yorkers, Philadelphians and Bostonians also have the Eastern championship and the Griscom cup matches every

New Yorkers, Philadelphians and Bostonians also have the Eastern championship and the Griscom cup matches every season, but their sisters in other sections are not quite so lucky. The men have a long series of big tournaments to play in and their game is benefited thereby, and the standard of women's golf in the United States undoubtedly would be higher if there were more match play tournaments to bring the leaders together with greater frequency. Whatever might be, the facts are that with the exception of the Western championship, which will be played next month, all of the minor championships were over so long ago that the average follower of the game has almost forgotten who won them, and when the women gather at Belmont Spring they will have trouble in remembering who are titleholders and who are not. It will be almost like the beginning of a new golfing season for the women, but nevertheless what they have done so far probably is at least a fair indication of what they may be expected to do in the supreme test which will create the national champion of 1916.

It does not take a long list to include the names of all the women who may be said to have a chance of winning the title. Good women golfers are few and far between in this country, the lack of first rank players being practically in direct proportion to the lack of the kind of competition which is needed to produce them.

The Champion May Repeat.

First on the list of favorites must come the national champion, Mrs. Clar-ence II. Vanderbeck of Philadelphia, and it is only within the last fortnight that it has been known definitely that she could be considered as a contender at

Next on the list of golfers who are likely to be serious contenders for the sational title is the Southern champion. Miss Alexa Stiring of Atlanta, If golfing style were the sole factor in selecting the champion of the United States, Miss Stiring would win by acclaration for

appearance of little Miss Stirling at Nas-sau in 1914 was like a ray of light in

Miss Marion Hollins, also a metropolitan golfer, ranks high on any list of favorites for the national title. Like Mrs. Feitner, Miss Hollins depends most to play, the second by 6 and 5, the semi-final by 8 and 7 and the thirty-six hole final by 6 and 5 again. The only reasonable reason assigned for making her play a thirty-six hole final—even the national championship final is only eighteen holes—was to give her a chance to play the last five holes of the course, which she hadn't seen since the qualifywhich she hadn't seen since the qualifying round. Just by way of good measare, Miss Striling also helped Atlanta
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'NATIONAL GOLF CHAMPION AND SOME OF THE WOMEN WHO ARE AFTER HER TITLE



MISS MARION HOLLINS, (FORMER METROPOLITAN CHAMPION.)

driving contest and captured the prize better than in any past season. Early

a goodly margin, too. No real fault can be found with her swing when she is playing her wooden shots and long irons—she hits them with a combination of grace, ryhthm and crashing force that

To such faithful followers of the game, who prefer a sound style even to victory, believing that the former is sure to bring the latter in its good time, the history may cease to repeat itself this year. When she won the metropolitan spearance of little Miss Stirling at Nassurian 1914 was like a ray of light in the dark. Despite the fact that she was beaten in the first round, the wise ones who watched her play were firm in the belief that her splendid style would place her at the top before many seasons passed.

Last year at Onwentsia she more than lived up to expectations, for she reached the semi-final round and then was beaten by Mrs. Vanderbeck, the ultimate winger, on the twenty-second green, the

it is only within the last fortnight that it has been known definitely that she could be considered as a contender at all. Illness this spring kept her out of all competition (she even had to let her Eastern title go without attempting to defend it), and as time went on it began to look as though she might have to remain out of the national championship too.

Now all those fears have vanished and Mrs. Vanderbeck looms up as a champion who will be hard to beat when she takes up the task of defending the crown she won so well at Onwentsia last year. Word came from Philadelphia the other day that she had completely was better than in any past season. Early in the spring she played Piping Rock under 90 and only a couple of weeks ago made an 87 at Cherry Valley. On that round she came home in 40 with a considered as a contender at twith the confidence born of the vigor-out twith the confidence born of the vigor-out that round she came home in 40 with a splendid match game. In the Eastern Chattanooga also should help to give her confidence, and she has a splendid opportunity to win at Belmont Spring. She is not a Miss Dodd yet, but there are many who believe that she may become one before many years have gone.

Mrs. Feitner a Mighty Hitter.

she takes up the task of defending the crown she won so well at Onwentsia last year. Word came from Philadelphia the other day that she had completely recovered her health and was playing better than ever. This statement was supported in rather convincing fashion by the fact that she played the Aronimink course recently in \$1, fing soing for a woman on any course, hard or easy. If Mrs. Vanderbeck is playing that way now and has two whole months ahead in which she can devote herself to practice she should be playing great golf when she gets to Belmont Spring.

Good golfer as she is, Mrs, Vanderbeck's style is not convincing. It is a little too artificial and has mechanical accuracy without quite enough natural grace. She is a typical example of the type that has been winning the American title year after year, although she really seems a little botter golfer than most of her predecessors. Steadiness is har greatest asset rather than brilliancy, and to her credit be it said that she honews how to use that asset as it should be used.

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**More of the predecessors. Steadiness is playing that way in the present British champion. These wonderful tee shots which Mrs. Feitner makes are without a counterpart on this side of the Atlantic at least, for the county. Winess her match over from the days before the war, can drive as far as Mrs. Peitner.

Mrs. Feitner a Mighty Hitter.

Mrs. Gentin F. Feitner, five times metropolitan champion and the present British and the present British champion. In the present British champion and the prese

Perhaps the chances of Mra. W. A. Gavin, late of Shirley Park, England, but now of Cherry Valley, L. I., should be discussed before those of Miss Hollins, can be found with her swing when she is practically in a class by herself. She alone of all America's women golfers calls forth from the lips of those who were following women's golf as far back as 1913 the exclamation: "Why, she plays as Miss Dodd and Miss Ravenscroft did!" The visit of the two British girls that year was in the heat word in the prototype of Miss Dordy Campbell, now Mrs. Hurd, and since then bell, now Mrs. Hurd, and since then bell, now Mrs. Hurd, and since then bell, now Mrs. Alan Macbeth Ravenscroft, now Mrs. Alan Macbeth and Mrs. Temple Dobell.

So It has been in past championships, who was runner up at Unwelled. She wonden shots and long is playing her wooden shots and long is playin but they are not. The British woman, who was runner up at Onwentsia last year and now holds the Bastern title, has

Her victory in the Eastern was well earned, for she made scores of 90-86-

ner, on the twenty-second green, the until the opponent slips and gives her a longest match ever played in the history of the women's national championship.

This year Miss Stirling has done all should be here to do she have to do she has reyear Miss Stirling has done all about holing the long ones, not Mrs. would not be averse to adding that crown to her collection. So far this year her title of Southern champion.

The metropolitan champion may throw best work has been done in the Geist of Mrs. G. S. Munson in the semi-final. Miss Caverly is the young golfer who

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Boston Will Be Well Represented. the has had a chance to do—she has had placed to have he had a she for the licked, the has had a chance for the higher crown best come not the country. As she had a spend has had a spend has had a good time while on them has had plenty of experience has been done at the best from that section of the country. As she had had for four years, she led the swing. The metropolitan champion may throw he work has been done in the Gist that she country in the country is to have the best form that section of the country. As she had had a good time while on them has had plenty of experience has been done in the Gist the best form that section of the country. As she had had a good the while on the best of the country is to have the best country. As she had had a spend hat the country is to have the best form that section of the country. As she had had a good time while on the best form that section of the country is to have the best form that section of the country is to have the best form that section of the country. As she had had a good the sale that the country is to have the best form that section of the country. As she had had a good the sale that the country is to have the best form that section of the country. As she had had a good the sale that the country is to have the best of the country. As she had had a good in the play as steady allous the fall the files that the country is to have the best form that country is to have the best of the country. As she had a good in the sale that t Boston's leaders are likely to be Miss Harriot Curtis and Miss Fannie Osgood.



MRS.CLARENCE H.VANDERBECK

(NATIONAL CHAMPION)

MRS. QUENTINF. FEITNER (METROPOLITAN CHAMPION

MRS.WM A.GAVIN, (EASTERN CHAMPION)

MISS ALEXA W. STIRLING

Prominent Oarsmen From Many States Will Compete in Races on Aug. 19.

Bayonne, N. J., will share regatta honors with other cities of the country this summer. The affair, however, will be just a little different from those staged in other cities. It will be called the Bayonne people's regatta, because the people of the town are assisting the Bayonne Rowing Association in the financing of the affair. It will take place on the affair. It will take place on the affair if the purpose of introducing the oarsmen of the United States to the Newark Bay course, which is regarded by those experts to be the peer of any in the whole United States. Because the course is such an exceptionally splendid one is why the Bayonne Chamber of Commerce and other civic bodies in the town are assisting. All that the rowing association has to do is to take care of the details of the regatta. A committee of 100 has been named to help boost the affair. The finance committee, which has promised to raise all the necessary funds, has for its chairman De Witt Van Buskirk, millionaire banker and president of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mile Straightaway Course. The headquarters for the regatta will be the Newark Bay clubhouse, which overlooks the entire course, a mile straightaway. There will be a band on the lawn of the clubhouse, while another will play in the county park, which is

near by.

Entries are being received daily from clubs all the way from Duluth, Mich., to Cambridge, Mass. There was somewhat of a thrill at regatta headquarwhat of a thrill at regarda headquarters when a letter was received from Thomas J. Rooney of the Ravenswood Boat Club, Long Island City, one of the leading scullers of the country. In it he declared that he would be very pleased to meet his old time rival. Jack Kelly, champion carsman of the United States, in a single scull. Pooney also States, in a single scull. Rooney also will be in the senior double shell. Entries will close on August 12.
Following is the list of events: Junior

single gig, junior double gig, junior four oared gig, junior four oared barge, junior eight oared shell, intermediate double gig, intermediate quadruple shell, asso-ciation single shell, senior single shell, senior double shell, senior four cared barge and senior eight oared shell,

The prizes, which will be most elab-orate, will be of an entirely new design. There will be handsome silver plaques for the winning clubs and gold medals for the members of winning crews. Two cups have been put up thus far and it is expected that there will be more. One of these, given by A. M. Young, a leading member of the Bayonne Rowing Association will go to the winner of the thoroughly insured by his peak thoroughly insured by his peak. sociation, will go to the winner of the senior single shell race, while the asso-ciation has put up a cup for the club winning the greatest number of events.

NOTES OF THE LINKS

Little journeys to Merion are in order now among the Eastern amateurs who intend to try for the national title, now only a few weeks away. John G. Anderson runner un at Detroit last year, went over to Philadelphia yesterday, piayed at Pine Valley in the morning and at Merion in the Valley in the morning and at Merion in the Assembly of varyings, comprise group of varyings comprise group of varyings.

It begins to look as if the officials of the United States Golf Association knew exactly what they were doing when they announced recently that any club which allowed ineligible golfers to play in its rourneys would run the risk of having all the American winner Explored in the matter of the members barred from the national of its members barred from the national of its members barred from the national championship. The week after the announcement was made the Woodland Golf Club of Boston held a tourney and asked Tewkesbury, Sullivan et al. not to play in it. The reason therefor is that Jesse Guliford now plays from Woodland and Massachusetts golfers think he has such an excellent chance for the national title that they declined to risk having him barred out.

Guilford's entry on the ground that he is not a bona fide resident of Massachusetts.

W. C. Chick is the kingpin at Brookline new, for he captured the Thomas cup, which practically means the club championship, recently by beating B. W. Estabrook in the final round. Chick made a 73—fine going at Brookline—and won his match by 5 up and 3 to piay.

The recent professional four ball match at Sleepy Hollow demonstrated the fact that even the great sometimes make mistakes. The thirteenth hole is only 160 yards long, and slithough well trapped is not an exceptionally hard short hole, yet not one of the four professionals was able to put his tee shot on the green, and only one of them was actually on the putting one of them was actually on the putting surface with his second. Barnes and McDonald drove into the guily, and Hagen and Sanderson landed in the bunker which surrounds the green. Neither Barnes nor McDonald got his second up to the green, Hagen overran to the fringe of long grass in back and only Sanderson got on. It was a remarkable exhibition of what can happen.

William Entwistle, who used to be the professional at New Brunswick, N. J., and is now at the Bellevue Country Club near Syracuse, played the course of the Onondaga Golf and Country Club a short time ago in 92, using only a putter. Just why he did it nobody seems to know.

France, and has been purcha French Government as a sire In pursuance of his policy replenishing his stud with he

final and put up a good fight against sirable blood, Mr. Mackay Mrs. Feitner. Mrs. Stockton's chief performance was the winning of the medal in the qualifying round of the Metropolitan at Baltusrol. At her best she plays a capable game and at times makes brilliant shots. If she enters she probably will give a good account of herself at Boston.

Another great French strength of the Haras de French strength.

Few Stars Live in West. The Western championship has not

The Western championship has not yet been held, but it looks as though the 1915 titleholder, Miss Elaine Rosenthal, would be the best from that section of the country. Miss Rosenthal can play St. Blaise out of Schus D. tion women who already are well enough to win the national stage of enough to win the national title. That is what the district in which the national is held has done more than once in the past, and if any woman not named in this article wins at Beltmont Spring. She has a sturdy swill be from Boston.

Ever since she won the national championship in 1906 Miss Harriot Curtis She has played good golf year after year and has seened neither to have improved nor gone back. This season she reached the semi-final in the Boston she less than the street of the past, and finally finished tied for the national title in 1807, 1911 and 1912, pollatin championship, and finally finished tied for the national title in 1807, 1911 and 1912, pollatin championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the national title in 1807, 1911 and 1912, pollatin championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern championship, and finally finished tied for the first day of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern champions at the last matter the policy of the Castern champions at the last

BAYONNE TO STAGE FRENCH YEARLINGS PEOPLE'S REGATTA FOR AMERICAN TURE

Youngsters Belonging to Clarence Mackay to Be Sold at Saratoga.

The recent arrival of a consignment of thoroughbred yearlings from Clatence H. Mackay's Haras de Fresnay in Normandy, France, has naturally caused genuine interest and gratification in

ENTRIES FROM DULUTH NINE BY FITZ HERBERT

every corner of the American the bred industry. Mr. Mackay's "t blue, black and sash" were am Gay Boy, Trigger, Grand Opera, Mexican, &c., bore them successfully in many important events, but their turf triumphs were no more noteworthy than the achievements of Mr. Mackay's stud in the production of the numerous win-ners which it has furnished, not only to ners which it has furnished, not only to our own turf, but also to England, France, Germany and Belgium.

Mediant, Golden Drop, Affliction, Ex-plosion, Manchester, Grasmere, Projec-tile, Rocky O'Brien, Detective, Tattling and Hammerless will be remembered as having performed successfully on their native soil, while Melody, Rock Flint Kempion, Congo II., Miss Malaprop, Torchbearer, Mr. Peeper, Meddling, Queen Til, Troubled Waters, Washoe II., Miss Ellen, Sands of Time, Sassenach Medley, Fireplay and Manzanita crossed the Atlantic and captured many prizes

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Since its transfer to the Haras de Fresnay in 1910, the establishment has continued its production of winners, fur-nishing the French turf with Allumeur, Balancoire, Tattoo, Potinier, Mediateur Footlight and Marigold, while it is bu-a few days since the French reared two-year-old filly Hathor won her first start in this country. rearroad fifty Hathor won her first start in this country.

Founded upon a policy of constant betterment in the individual class and blood lines of its stallions and brood mares, the Haras de Fresnay is obviously

stronger to-day than ever before is therefore not surprising American turf is on the qui v ticipation of the auction sale of cently arrived yearlings, the vendue being announced to be held at the Saratoga racecourse next Saturday The occasion will be of extinterest, too, owing to a comb debut of the progeny of the fa Herbert being accompanied by ing of yearlings by several of est sires in France whose blood

Pits Herbert Head of Stud.

Fitz Herbert, which has succeeded the amented Meddler at the head of the speed, stamina and chample his prospects of a stud succes be thoroughly insured by hi

The Fitz Herbert yearling colts are The Boston golfers are much agitated just now over the action of the Brookline golfers who entered the qualifying round of the State champlonship, captured the Windeler shield and then withdrew in a body. Opposition to the acceptance of Guilford's entry on the ground that he is not a bona fide resident of Massachusetts.

England, France and German other Meddler yearling is colt out of Wheat-ear, a superbly bred English mare b Frusquin out of Cornerake, she by nule out of Corday, she by Hample of Patineuse, half sister to Her-France, and has been purchased by replenishing his stud with stallions in France, and on

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